

New CIA Director Named By Johnson

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Is A Career Specialist
In Cloak-And-Dagger
Activities**

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Washington, June 18—Richard M. Helms, 53, a career specialist in cloak-and-dagger operations, was chosen by President Johnson today to head the Central Intelligence Agency.

In moving up from the post of deputy director, he will succeed Adm. William F. Raborn, 61, a Navy missile expert, who is retiring after 14 months in the CIA's top post.

Helms, a former newsman who entered intelligence work in World War II, joined the CIA at its founding in 1947.

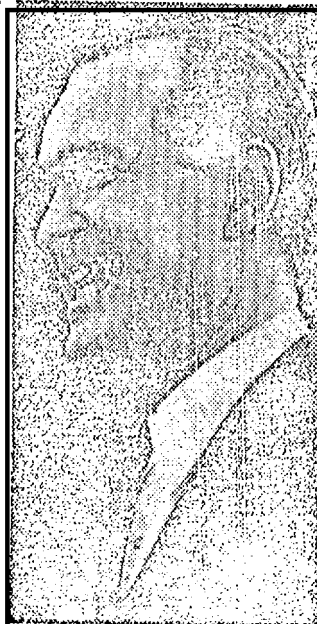
Man With No Politics

In the CIA shakeup following the Bay of Pigs disaster, he took over as deputy director of the plans division, which supervises spying, information-gathering and special undercover operations overseas.

Helms was described in "Invisible Government," the controversial book on the CIA written by Thomas B. Ross and David Wise as a man with no politics—"Just a good professional intelligence man."

President Johnson said at his news conference he had told Raborn from the beginning that Helms would succeed him following completion of the admiral's tour of duty.

Mr. Johnson also turned to a



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RICHARD M. HELMS
New director of the CIA

career man today when he named Rosel H. Hyde as chairman of the Federal Communications Commission—the agency that supervises the broadcasting and telephone industries.

Attitude Indicated

A member of the FCC since 1946, Hyde is expected to be less abrasive with the television industry than his two predecessors—Newton Minow, who complained of TV's "vast wasteland," and E. William Henry, who somewhat more mildly asked for an improvement in programing.

Accepting the International Radio and Television Society's gold

medal a year ago, Hyde said of the FCC role:

"We should not restrict by presuming to blueprint program categories or prescribe program formats. We should shun constant tinkering which casts a pall of restlessness and uncertainty over the industry, stunts its growth, dashes the inner spirit of creativity and inhibits growth of a liberating art."

To fill the vacancy caused by Henry's resignation, the President said he was going to move Nicholas Johnson, Federal Maritime Administrator, to the FCC.

A White House statement said "the vital decisions relating to our rapidly changing communications industry call for the high talents possessed by these fine public servants Hyde and Johnson."

Negro Put On AEC

In other appointments, the President named Dr. Samuel M. Nabrit, president of Texas Southern University, as the first Negro member of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Winthrop Knolton to be assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs.

The President seemed well-primed for a question about conflicting statements issued by two Cabinet officers this week on the prospects for a tax cut.

On Tuesday John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce, said no tax increase would be requested unless there was a drastic change in the economy. Yesterday, Henry H. Fowler, Secretary of the Treasury, countered that a tax increase remains "very much an open question," depending largely on whether Congress pushes Federal spending considerably over Mr. Johnson's budget requests.

No Policy Statement

Today, the President dismissed the Connor-Fowler statements as "personal feelings, and perhaps a speculation" that do not constitute a positive statement of policy of this Administration.

However, he hewed closer to Fowler's position by saying that only after Congress has acted on further appropriations bills could he be in a position to make a decision whether a tax increase is justified this year.

"We are watching all the factors that must be considered, primarily the appropriations measures that are being guided through the Congress, the Government budget itself and our expenditures in Vietnam, as well as the private factors in the economy," Mr. Johnson declared.

"... I do not care to speculate, and I am not in a position to do so now, because the interpretation that would be placed on it might bring about some misunderstandings and misapprehensions."

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